

Interview Summary	Application No. 10/666,290	Applicant(s) GANESH ET AL.	
	Examiner Shumaya B. Ali	Art Unit 3771	

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Examiner, Shumaya B. Ali. (3) _____.

(2) Applicant's Attorney, John F. McNulty. (4) _____.

Date of Interview: 11 May 2007.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.
If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 1.


Identification of prior art discussed: Moses US 3,908,665 and Christopher US 2002/0108610 A1.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☒ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

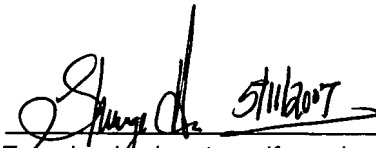
Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: See Continuation Sheet.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN A NON-EXTENDABLE PERIOD OF THE LONGER OF ONE MONTH OR THIRTY DAYS FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE, OR THE MAILING DATE OF THIS INTERVIEW SUMMARY FORM, WHICHEVER IS LATER, TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached sheet.

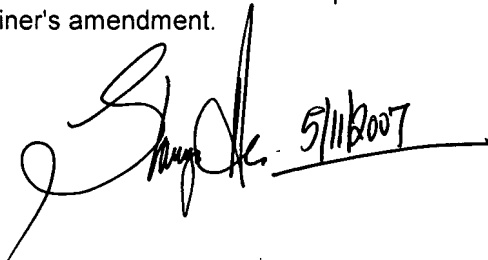

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Examiner Note: You must sign this form unless it is an Attachment to a signed Office action.


Examiner's signature, if required

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: During the phone interview Mr. McNulty was asked to provide support in the specification for conduits being placed within the pharynx above the epiglottis and at a distance from the epiglottis as recited in claim 1 under points c-e. Mr. McNulty directed Examiner Ali to page 7 lines 20-22 of the disclosure where it recites, "the conduit may terminate at various position within the channel", and figures 2A, and 2D further support that in a fully deployed state the conduits are being placed within the pharynx above the epiglottis and at a distance from the epiglottis.

Following items were discussed with Mr. McNulty to place the application in condition for allowance: (1) Mr. McNulty suggested changes to abstract by examiner's amendment. Changes only involves deleting words to comply with abstract having the range of 50 to 150 words, and (2) Mr. McNulty agreed to incorporated the language of "wherein in a fully deployed state" the distal end is disposed within the pharynx above the epiglottis and at a distance from the epiglottis to over come the combination of teaching of Moses US'665 and Christopher US'610A1. Mr. McNulty further agreed to other changes made to claims in the examiner's amendment.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Stephen A. Ali", followed by a horizontal line and the date "5/11/2007".